

The NYSSA GATE CITY JOURNAL

SECOND SECTION

THE NYSSA GATE CITY JOURNAL, NYSSA, OREGON, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER, 16, 1950

Essay Propounds Weekly's Status

"What the Newspaper Does for My Community"

(Winning essay by Dick Lewis, Lebanon high school senior, in statewide National Newspaper week contest sponsored by the Oregon Newspaper Publishers association and the Oregon Scholastic Press.)

I am a good small-town newspaper. I am one of the most important assets a town can have. As long as there are many good small-town newspapers, our country is assured of a democratic rule.

My goal: "To further democracy, to aid my town and community in the many ways at my disposal, and to keep my readers well informed."

In the troubled times of today

my most important responsibility is the task of preserving our freedoms. We are smothered under a multitude of both good and bad propaganda. I must screen the right from the wrong, and give to the people the truth. On the local level I must watch those with authority, and make sure they direct their energies for the general good. When the public is confused on an issue, it is my duty to state clearly the point in question so that the people can honestly judge it for themselves. I shall rebuke the incompetent.

I am a community newspaper, and I work for my community. Civic enterprises would not succeed without my support, for people must know the "hows" and the "whys" of a thing before they will get behind it. I support everything from the softball league to raising funds

for the new fire engine. Town merchants are able to get in touch with prospective customers through my advertising.

Naturally I am read primarily for the news I carry. Local news is always read with relish, for the reader is often acquainted with the subject in the news. All my news must be presented in the right light so that wrong opinions are not formed.

To be a good small-town newspaper is truly a Herculean task. The first prerequisite to good paper is a good staff. Heading this staff, there must be a smart, hard-working editor, who knows newspaper work inside-out. And most important, the whole staff must have a deep pride in its paper.

As a small-town newspaper I have many obstacles in my path. I operate under a very limited budget. I can not, and don't attempt to compete with large dailies in such items as national and world news, and comic strips. Instead I stick to my specialty—local news. Also I must content myself with a certain amount of adverse criticism from people who do not take into consideration my difficulties. I would like

to remind these people that the more support a paper has, the better that paper is.

I am a capitalistic, free enterprise business in the best sense of the word, yet I am directly obligated to my readers, and must conform to their wishes. For these people and all people I must fight the fight for freedom and democracy by reporting truth, exposing untruth, and supporting democratic principles. This fight is just beginning, and I must unceasingly pursue my goal until it is totally won. Even then, and never, can I relax my guard; I must covet democracy and freedom as the most valuable treasures on earth.

Elks convalescent home in Boise receiving treatment for polio, will be released to go home Friday. He will have to take treatment each day at the Nyssa hospital for some time yet.

Rev. Nye of the First Methodist church in Caldwell was guest speaker at the Apple Valley church Sunday evening. The MYF plans to sponsor an evening worship service on the second Sunday evening of each month to which the public is invited.

Stanley Pett was in Nampa Saturday afternoon, transcribing a program to be used on KFXD soon. This program, known as the Children's Friend of the Air, is broadcast at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoons. Stanley plays his guitar for the program.

Mrs. Alberta Morrow and Mr. Cruthers of Cottonwood are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Butcher and family. Mrs. Morrow is the mother of Mrs. Butcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Honey were in Boise Monday evening shopping and visiting a nephew.

Armistice day visitors in the Vincent Farrell home were Mrs. Leola Norman and son of Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Caldwell and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wilson, visited in the Cedric Caldwell home Sunday. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Murray Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Knowles and family have moved into the house on the Hammer place and Mr. and Mrs. Hammer have moved to town.

Mr. and Mrs. Conley Wilson and family were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Landis Duto in Nampa. Mrs. Duto entertained at a wild game dinner Saturday evening in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mrs. George Miller of Melba.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson and boys were among the guests for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Mann of Salt Lake City returned home Tuesday, after visiting several days with their children and families here. Their daughter, Mrs. H. L. Pace entertained Monday with a family dinner for them. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mann and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Mann, Jr. and family and Mr. and Mrs. William Hepworth of Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bosworth of Buhl and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Sullivan of Boise were week-end guests in the Clayton Butcher home. Mrs. Bosworth and Mrs. Butcher are sisters.

last week after visiting for two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Johansen. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are the parents of Mrs. Johansen. A. A. Johansen of Salt Lake City, father of Mr. Johansen, also visited for several days at his son's home.

Recalled Into Service—
Billy Baer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Baer, has been recalled into the U. S. navy in which he served for two years during the war. After reporting to Portland for his physical, Baer went to Los Angeles for a visit. He will leave December 8 for Seattle.

Family Returns From Long Trip

APPLE VALLEY, Nov. 16—Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Seward and family returned Friday of last week from a month-long sight-seeing trip through the eastern states. Among the many places visited were Chicago, Niagara Falls, Washington, D. C., Philadelphia and New York City. They enjoyed wonderful traveling weather all the way, hardly ever having to wear a coat. On the way home they stopped for three days in Kansas to visit Mr. Steward's grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Butcher and son, Dick, flew to Cottonwood and Lewiston Thursday of last week on a cattle buying trip. They returned by car Sunday evening.

Two farm sales will be held in the community within the next week. P. E. Pilcher will hold his sale Saturday, November 18 and Mr. and Mrs. Chapman will hold their sale Tuesday, November 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Evans of Ontario, formerly of Apple Valley, visited in the Gene Honey home Armistice day.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Baker of Boise were Sunday guests in the Vincent Farrell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wilson of Portland visited several days the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Caldwell. Mr. Wilson is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell.

Mrs. Olive Schritter has been a patient in Samaritan hospital in Nampa since Thursday of last week and underwent surgery Monday morning, from which she is recovering satisfactorily.

Kent Mann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mann, who has been in the

"finance it through FIRST NATIONAL

It's the convenient way to finance your new car...and we're authorized auto dealer-agents of the First National Bank...can handle all the details here. Payments are tailored to income...make new car ownership possible for so many."

NYSSA BRANCH FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PORTLAND

Open 10 to 5 including Saturday

THE THRIFTY ONE For '51 ?

Keep Winter Cold Out of Your HOME, too!

Insulate NOW!

By insulating you'll not only provide more comfort for you and your family, but you'll save on fuel bills up to 30% as well. These savings alone will soon pay the initial cost of such insulating. See Boise Payette today and learn how convenient it is to insulate your home—and to pay the cost—with these quality products:

BALSAM WOOL Sealed Insulation
Guaranteed to satisfy...or money back. Blanket-type insulation that is permanent, windproof, moisture-proof, pack-proof because it's **fastened** in place.

MINERAL-FILL INSULATION
"Fill-type" insulation that is easily installed in the WALLS as well as the attic of any existing structure. By insulating the walls, too, added fuel savings are possible.

INSULATION BATTS
Fireproof, mineral-filled batts that are handy and easy to place between ceiling joists.

KEEP YOUR COAL BIN FILLED!

Shortage of transportation facilities and other seasonal factors may put coal in short supply later.

ORDER TODAY FROM...

C. F. MINK, Manager
Phone 15 Nyssa

Boise Payette LUMBER COMPANY

Time to buy trucks on something besides hearsay!

You can't afford to buy trucks by guesswork today. What you carry—how far and fast you carry it—under what road and traffic conditions—all must be considered in specifying the **right truck** for you in times like these.

That's our specialty as a GMC truck dealer—we are first and foremost **transportation engineers**. Our one aim is to recommend the exact combination of engine, frame, axles, transmission, cab and optional equipment that is best suited for your year-round needs.

Come in and see us—whether you want a ½-ton pickup or a giant Diesel 90,000 lb. GCW six-wheeler. We can give you exactly the right truck—designed for longer mileage with less maintenance expense—and it will be a **real truck**, engineered for your type of work.

That's why GMC sales are greater today than ever before. Truckers find they are best in the long haul. Let us show you why.

NEW faster service anywhere in U. S.
Exclusive rapid road service for GMC owners—call Western Union Operator 25 for name of nearest GMC approved service

GMC GASOLINE & DIESEL TRUCKS
½ TO 20 TONS

GM GENERAL MOTORS

ROBERTS-NYSSA, Inc.
2nd and Good Ave. Nyssa, Oregon

You'll do better on a used truck with your GMC dealer